

# The Baptist Builder

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## GUEST SPEAKER SUNDAY MORNING

Our guest speaker for the Sunday morning service is Mr. Owen Cooper, prominent Baptist Layman from Yazoo City, Mississippi. Mr. Cooper is a native Mississippian, a graduate of Mississippi State College, has his Master's Degree from the University of Mississippi and has an honorary Doctor's Degree from Mississippi College.

He has served as president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention and now serves as a member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and as president of the Pan-American Union of Baptist Men and Vice President of the Baptist World Alliance.

## SUNDAY EVENING

The Abaca Woodwind Quintet will be our guest musicians at the 7:15 service on Sunday. This outstanding instrumental ensemble will present several numbers during the evening worship service. The youth choir will sing a new folk tune, "Go Tell everyone." Mr. Clyde Bizzell will bring the message.

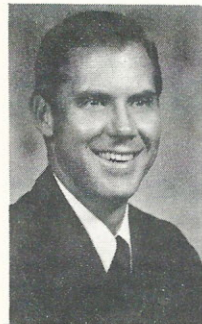
## ALL-CHURCH FELLOWSHIP—MUSICALE

Following the evening service Sunday, The Abaca Woodwind Quintet will present a program of musical entertainment in the dining hall. Everyone is invited to attend this time of fellowship. Refreshments will be served.

# Pastor's Paragraphs

## BONELESS FISH AND RELATED MATTERS

Once upon a time, not so long ago, two men went into a cafeteria to dine. The hour was late and the selection of food was limited. Since the fish looked succulent they decided to try it.



The two men ate in silence. When the last crumbs were gone, one man asked the other, "How was your fish?" "Terrible, it was cold and tasteless. It was terrible. Just terrible." His friend made no effort to discredit his appraisal. He simply said, "But did you notice,

there was not a single bone in it. Not one!"

The meal all but ruined the day for one man. He found it necessary on several occasions to tell others about the cold tasteless fish. His friend, too, made mention of his lunch. "Would you believe it, there was not a single bone in that fish. No, not one!"

Once upon a time, a long time ago, Jesus told an interesting story. It had to do with a fellow who spent a lot of time examining people's eyes. Believe it or not, he was not an optometrist nor an ophthalmologist. He was a faultfinder. The tiniest speck of dust in his neighbor's eye did not go undetected. We would certainly think when he made such a careful examination he would find some good qualities to commend—but not so. He found only fault. Why? Because this is all he was looking for.

In most cases our faults are obvious. ("It was cold and tasteless.") But if we look hard enough, we will find some good in every man. ("Would you believe it, there was not a single bone in that fish. No, not one!")

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

### IN MEMORIAM

Mr. A. W. Butts, Jr.  
3320 Timberline Dr.

Joined our church by transfer  
of letter Mar. 25, 1963  
Deceased April 9, 1971

## HELP US TO REACH OUR IDEAL!

The Church Library Emphasis for National Library Week, April 18-24, has for its theme a portion of a familiar Scripture: 2 Timothy 2:15, "Study to show yourself approved unto God".

Your library staff members have the idea that if each of us, library staff member and church member, would help to become "approved" our world would be a better place in which to live.

Ideas are what people think, Ideals are what they strive for. An idea is a ladder on the ground; an ideal is a ladder set up. Now we need your help to convert this idea (of getting every member to use the library) into an ideal!

We are ready to help — there are audio-visuals, records, tapes of sermons and lectures, as well as books on almost every subject to meet your wishes. We would like to have several hundred people use the library during the week of April 18-24. Will you help us raise this ladder?

The library is opened Sunday morning 8:30-10:50; Sunday afternoon, 4:00-7:10; Tuesday morning 9:00-11:30; Wednesday, 4:00-7:25; Thursday 9:00-12:00. Don't just walk through — check a book out and READ it!

## CONSIDER SUNDAY NIGHTS

In the Adult Training Group on Sunday night we begin next Sunday a series entitled "How Christians Differ". This unit deals with prominent, doctrinal controversies and their Biblical basis and offers guidance in formulating personal conviction about these views. Among the topics to be considered are: How Various Christian Groups Differ as to their Understanding and Acceptance of the Bible, The Church, Approaches to Worship, Interpretation of the Ordinances, Doctrine of the Priesthood of Believers, Interpretation of the Roles of Clergy and Laity, and the Separation of Church and State. This group, for adults 40 and up, meets in Adult 2 Department.

There are training groups for all ages and we urge you to become involved.

## TRAINING SESSION FOR CHRISTIAN HOME SERVICE BOARD VOLUNTEERS

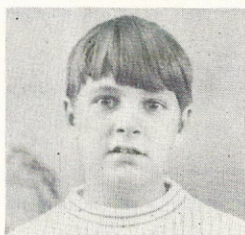
On Tuesday, April 20, we are having here at our church a training session for any persons who are willing to devote some time serving in the office of the Christian Home Service Board. This would involve approximately a half a day a week. If you are interested, be present for the training session. If you need additional information, call Mr. Bizzell at the church office, Mrs. Clevenger, 476-1331.



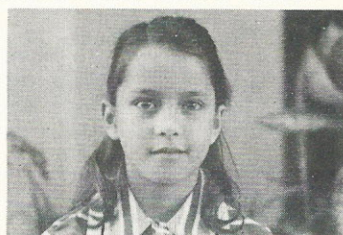
## THESE WERE RECEIVED INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



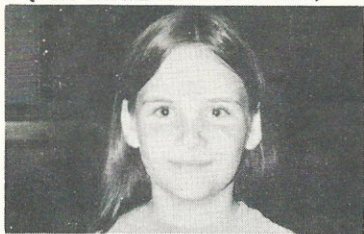
**George A. and Ann Belleau**  
**Cathy Belleau**  
 (Also shown is Kelli Belleau)



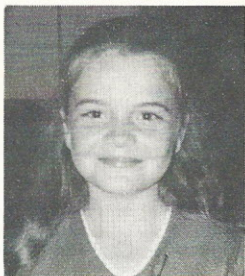
**Brandon Cobb**



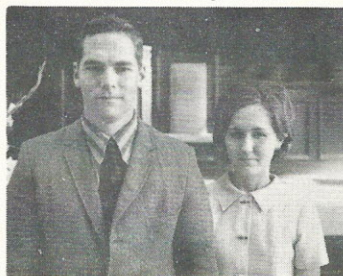
**Pamela Kay Hale**



**Paula Royal**



**Sue Shows**



**Charles and Linda Wooten**

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist:

Mr. Lee Van Byrd, Mrs. Evelyn Silver,  
 Mr. Wm. C. Carr, Mrs. J. L. (Marie)  
 Mayo, Sr., Mrs. B. B. (Lola) Steele,  
 Mrs. Frances Byrnes, Mr. B. W. Mat-  
 thews, Mr. Kirk Johnson.

#### Sacred Heart:

Mr. Pat Boghich, Mrs. Herbert (Chris-  
 tine) Gladden

#### University Hospital:

Mr. Horace Lowery

#### Transfer to Baptist Specialty Care Center:

Mrs. J. E. (Bertha) Bratcher

#### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Herman H. Hobbs, Mr. Raymond  
 A. Barrow, Mr. D. H. Johnson.

#### SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nellums in the loss  
 of his mother, Mrs. Nellie Nellums.  
 Mrs. A. W. Butts, Jr. and Gleen Butts  
 in the loss of husband and father.  
 Mr. James Adcock in the loss of his  
 father.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Linda Gomillion and Tim Brown upon  
 their marriage January 9, 1971.  
 Mr. Homer Biles and Miss Kathy Ellis  
 upon their marriage April 10, 1971.

### MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sun-  
 day are given in memory of Mrs. N. C.  
 McMillan and are given by Mr. and  
 Mrs. Paul Caro, Sr.

## BUS MINISTRY BEGINS SUNDAY

Two buses, rented from the City, will  
 begin their routes Sunday for the First  
 Baptist Church. People of all ages will  
 be brought to Sunday School and Church  
 due to the concern and efforts of many  
 of our members who have been working  
 each Saturday morning. One bus will  
 cover portions of the West side of the  
 City while the other bus runs a Northeast  
 route toward the college. We welcome  
 to First Baptist Church those who will  
 be coming on the buses. This Sunday an  
 orientation, tour and short service will  
 be held for the riders. After this Sunday, they  
 will be enrolled in the regular age group  
 Sunday School class. This Saturday, April  
 17, we will continue our survey for riders.  
 Breakfast is served at 8:30 A.M. and we  
 can use workers who can give Saturday  
 until 12:00 for this important task. Con-  
 tinue your prayers for the Bus Ministry  
 and be sure to say welcome to our new-  
 comers this Sunday.

**FOCUS**  
**ON**  
**FIRST FOLKS**

John Daniel, Senior at Pensacola High  
 School, was named "Boy of the Year" by  
 the Pensacola Exchange Club.



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All material to be included in the Builder  
 should be in the office, preferably in  
 writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.

## LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study .....	1319
Main Sunday School .....	1304
Crippled Children's Home .....	15
The Church in Training .....	667
Training Union .....	158
Other Training Activities .....	509
Coming for Membership .....	5
Baptized .....	7
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	\$7,904.61
Specials .....	724.75
Building Fund .....	
<b>TOTAL OFFERING .....</b>	<b>\$8,629.36</b>

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

**SUN., April 18: "Source of Joy"**  
 John 15:1-11

**MON., April 19: "The Grand Finale"**  
 Acts 20:17-24

**TUES., April 20: "Singing in the Dark"**  
 Acts 16: 25-34

**WED., April 21: "Joy Tomorrow"**  
 John 16: 19-24

**THURS., April 22: "Journey of Joy"**  
 Matthew 25: 14-21

**FRI., April 23: "A Happy Harvest"**  
 Psalm 126: 1-6

**SAT., April 24: "When Heaven Rejoices"**  
 Luke 15: 1-10

## Opportunities of the Week

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

- \* 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- \* 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 3:00 P.M.—"The Reasons Why" Rehearsal
- 4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 P.M.—Woodwind Ensemble Rehearsal
- \* 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- \* 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
- 8:15 P.M.—High School-College Fellowship at the home of Monique and Barney Burks, 3540 Baisden Rd.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20

- 10:30 A.M.—Training Session for Christian Home Service Board
- 11:00 A.M.—The Laura Stoeson Round Table will meet with Mrs. Frank Rushing, 8720 Scenic Hills Drive.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

- \* 4:45 P.M.—Choirs
- \* 5:50 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- \* 6:30 P.M.—Sunday School Officers and Teachers Meeting, Mission Friends, GA's, Acteens and RA's, Brass Ensemble Rehearsal.
- \* 7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service
- \* 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

- 7:00 P.M.—Silent Class Film-Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 P.M.—Associational Baptist Women, (night group) meeting at East Hill Baptist Church.
- 7:00 P.M.—Choir Banquet, Dining Room

## COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST:

- 52. Cheryl D. Beck, 485 Shiloh Dr.
- 53. Anne Cosby Cetti, 2401 N. Escambia
- 54. Lisa Cetti

BY LETTER:

- 118. Mrs. Charles Cetti, 2401 N. Escambia  
 From: Bayshore Baptist, Tampa, Fla.
- 119. Melanie Cetti

COMING ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

David Napier, 425 Kenilworth, Gulf Breeze

BAPTIZED:

Cheryl Beck, Brandon Cobb, Lee Ann Coker, Pamela Hale, Larry M. Holt, Kathy Karn, Sue Shows, Buddy Myska.